GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY AUTHORITY FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up an Independent Regulatory Authority or Commission for Higher Education;

(b) if so,whether the University Grants Commission (UGC) is likely to be merged in the new Commission;

(c) if so,whether any draft Bill has been prepared in this regard;

(d) if so,the details thereof; and

(e) if not,the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (e): While there is no proposal for setting up an Independent Regulatory Authority for Higher Education,a proposal for setting up a National Commission for Higher Education has been under consideration,However,there has been no consensus on the need for setting up the Commission.